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VIA HAND DELIVERY

The Honorable Gary Hotvedt, Hearing Officer Tennessee Regulatory Authority 460 James Robertson Parkway Nashville, Tennessee 37243-0505

Re:

Petition by ICG TELECOM GROUP, INC. for Arbitration of an Interconnection Agreement with BELLSOUTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC. pursuant to Section 252(b) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996

Docket No. 99-00377

Petition for Arbitration of ITC^DeltaCom Communications, Inc. with BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. pursuant to the Telecommunications Act of 1996

Docket No. 99-00430

Dear Mr. Hotvedt:

Enclosed for your review and consideration is a Motion for Approval of Agreed Procedural Rules. These Rules relate to the consolidation of the ICG reciprocal compensation issue in the DeltaCom arbitration hearing.

As you can see, I have executed the Motion on behalf of BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. and Henry Walker has authorized me to sign the document on behalf of ICG. I am not aware of any problems that DeltaCom has with these procedural "ground rules" but I have not received confirmation from counsel for DeltaCom as to whether or not they agree to these proposed procedural rules. I will notify you immediately if I hear from DeltaCom.

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Subsequent to the pre-arbitration conference, counsel for BellSouth, ICG and DeltaCom agreed to the following procedural rules:

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These procedures are consistent with Authority Rule 1220-1-3-.09, which provides that any consolidation of arbitrations shall not prejudice or harm the interest of any party.



BellSouth, ICG and ITC^DeltaCom respectfully request that the Hearing Officer approve these procedural rules.

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I hereby certify that on October 29, 1999), a copy of the foregoing document was served
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